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Letter dated 13 October 2015 from the Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I am writing to you in your capacity as President of the Security Council for the month of October 2015.

With reference to Security Council resolution 2166 (2014) and my previous letters to the Council of 1 and 28 August 2014, 9 September 2014, 16 December 2014 and 20 July 2015, I have the honour to draw your attention to the final report regarding the aircraft accident and incident investigation into the downing of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 over eastern Ukraine on 17 July 2014, published by the Dutch Safety Board on 13 October 2015.

The report, which has been submitted to the International Civil Aviation Organization by the Dutch Safety Board, is available on the website of the Board at www.safetyboard.nl.

The final report details the findings of the technical investigation into the causes of the crash, flight routes and survival aspects, in accordance with the standard procedure of annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation. The international investigation team, which was coordinated by the Dutch Safety Board, comprised experts from the Netherlands, Ukraine, Malaysia, the United States, the United Kingdom, Australia and the Russian Federation (accredited representatives). The draft final report was made available for comments to the accredited representatives on 2 June 2015, in accordance with annex 13. The Board drafted the final report after assessing the comments submitted.

As before, I would like to emphasize that the Dutch Safety Board operates independently. The Dutch Government was not involved in the investigation or in any other activities of the Safety Board, nor has it played any role in the drafting of the report.

I would be grateful if you could have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Kingdom of the Netherlands

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